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Veal Cutlets With Mushrooms

Have a slice or two of cutlet cut thin; cut this out in even circles and press with the potato-masher till they are as large as a slice of an orange; fry these quickly; have ready chopped half a can of mushrooms or quarter of a pound of fresh ones, and after seasoning both these and the cutlets cover the meat with them in a smooth even layer. Serve very hot, with creamed potatoes.

REDS POWER ENEMY TO THE ENTENTE

FRENCH AMBASSADOR JUST BACK
FROM RUSSIA TELLS OF BOLSHEVIST DOINGS.

TERROR IS INCREASING DAILY

No Society Or Nations Could Deal
With Such a Regime As That
in Russia.

Paris—The two notable events of the day were the meeting of the supreme council to consider the Russian situation and the gala luncheon to President Wilson in Luxembourg palace.

The luncheon, besides bringing together a brilliant assemblage brought out the declaration from President Wilson that "the peril of France, if it continues, will be the peril of the world, and not only France must organize against the peril, but the whole world must organize against it."

An hour was given to M. Nouvel, French ambassador, who has just returned from Russia, where he personally witnessed changes which have been taking place in the government and conditions there. What he told the council was not disclosed, but an authorized statement from M. Nouvel sums up his views thus:

"The bolshevist power is the enemy of the Entente. It is responsible for the Russian defection from the Entente. It furnished Germany with food during the war. It protested against terms of the German armistice. These acts show an uncomprising attitude of hostility against the Entente."

"Tyranny and terror, which are increasing daily, should place the bloody chiefs in Moscow and Petrograd outside the pale of humanity. No society of nations could deal with such a regime, which constitutes the most serious obstacle to a general peace."

"Until the regime falls, a development which I hope the Allies will actively seek to bring about, Europe will continue to be exposed to severest risks of agitation and war."

GERMANS DEFEAT TERRORISM

Ebert-Scheidemann Party Scored Between 40 and 50% of Total Votes Cast.

Copenhagen—On face of all news from Berlin terrorism in Germany went down to ignominious defeat after a landslide of votes for the moderates in recent election for the national constituent assembly.

The majority socialists—the Ebert-Scheidemann party—scored between 40 and 50 per cent of the total votes cast, it was announced by Richard Fischer, secretary of the party.

The second largest total vote appears to have gone to the Centrist-Catholic party credited with 30 per cent of the grand total. Then come the Democrats, with 15 per cent, and last the Independents, with only 5 per cent.

Those who went to neither side now are expected to rejoin Ebert and Scheidemann when the latter are in need of a decisive majority.

Majority socialists, 140,000.
Independent socialists, 104,000.
Non-socialists, 100,000.

The assembly is expected to be held in Weimar. In Berlin alone 2,000,000 votes were cast.

Troops Ordered Out in Portugal.

London—A royalist revolution has broken out in Portugal, according to a wireless dispatch from Lisbon.

Paiva Condeiro has placed himself at the head of royalist revolt at Oporto, Braga, and Viseu, and has proclaimed former King Manuel King of Portugal.

Government troops are on their way to suppress the conspiracy. The wireless dispatch adds that former King Manuel has sent a telegram to the Portuguese reprobating the attempt in his behalf.

PADEREWSKI HEADS NEW POWER

Polish Ministry Recently Formed
Meets Approval of Nearly All Parties.

Warsaw—The Polish ministry formed by Ignace Jan Paderewski apparently meets approval of all parties except radical socialists, who have threatened a general strike if the Paderewski ministry holds office until the elections to the national assembly, planned for the middle of February.

The new cabinet represents most of the parties in German, Russian and Austrian Poland. Bankers of Poznan or German Poland, have placed \$250,000 at disposal of the new government.

Kent Resident's Fight Traction Fare.

Grand Rapids—Grand Rapids township residents have appealed to the supervisors asking that the Grand Rapids Railway company refrain from charging the North Park bridge fare and the regular sixteen cent city fare. They said the total charge is nine cents which is not authorized by the franchise, which provides that no more than eight cents should be charged from any point west of the river to any part in the city. Company asked to cut rates or fight proceedings.

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY GIVES INFORMATION ON REGISTRATION FOR VOTING.

Of Special Interest to Women and Others Not Registered.

Prosecuting Attorney Homer L. Fitch has compiled information in reference to the registration of qualified voters. This will be of special interest to women who wish to exercise the right of franchise at the coming spring elections. The information he gives here pertains to cities and villages with a population of 10,000 or less and with a population of 10,000 or less and townships.

Quoting from the Michigan statute he says as follows:

Section 1. Any person, not already registered, who possesses the constitutional qualifications of an elector, or who will, on the day of the next ensuing regular or special election or official primary election, possess such qualifications, may make application for registration to the township or city in which he resides on any day other than Sunday, a legal holiday, the day of any regular or special election or official primary election, and the days intervening between the second Saturday preceding any such election. Any such clerk shall not be required to receive any application for registration at any other place than his office, or the place or places designated pursuant to section three of this chapter, but may, in his discretion, receive such application wherever he may be.

This section therefore provides that registrations may be made with the clerk of the village or township at any time between now and up to and including the second Saturday before election. Section Three however provides that if such clerk does not keep his office open regularly, he shall not be required to be at his office, but he shall be at his office or some other convenient place upon the fourth and third Saturdays preceding any election or official primary in said town or village or village and on such other days prior to said Saturday as shall be designated by the township board or legislative body of said village, not exceeding five days in all, for the purpose of reviewing the registration and registering the qualified voters as shall and apply thereafter.

The regular township election shall be held the first Monday in April of each year. The Village election is held the second Monday in March. L. J. Kraus is the Township Clerk and T. P. Peterson is clerk of the village.

Information as to the qualifications of voters will be formed with the clerks of the several townships and villages.

WHAT SOME OF OUR SCHOOL BOYS AND GIRLS ARE DOING.

(Special to the Avalanche.)

Attention, Girls! Bangs are the latest style in hairdressing. You know what they are—those little frills, that hang down in your eyes.

Leslie Harrington has some good in him; he is delivering milk for Mr. Isenbauer, who has the "flu."

Ruth McCullough, Eleone Schumann and Kristine Salling have been scouring the town for material to make scrap books for the children at the Emergency hospital.

Grace Bauman and Bess Smith have gone to Marlboro to visit friends for a few days.

Fedor Montour is assisting greatly in the household these days as pastry cook, and just a taste of some of those goods she prepares would make you just want some more.

George Howard has secured a position as bell-hop at Shop's Inn and likes it much better than starting fires so early in the morning.

The South side boys and girls are surely enjoying these vacation days as they go coasting over the Red bridge most every day. They invite some of their North side friends to come and share some of their gay times, too.

Edgar McPhee and "Young Mike" Brenner are busy these days jostling freight for Harvey Wheeler. No matter how heavy the bundle they tackle it. And with the utmost care.

Oscar Olson, who makes his home with his sister Mrs. Guy Pringle has almost finished knitting a sweater for himself. He has spent most of his vacation at his task, when he wasn't washing dishes or dusting.

Francis and Wesley Lagrow are keeping egg this weather assisting Emil Niederer on the ice wagon.

Harold Schmidt secured work at Town and the evening after the first day it was necessary for him to have some liniment applied to his joints. But work is fine sport for him now that he is getting used to it.

Margaret Nelson is spending her time at the Sorenson Bros. store learning the art of selling wall paper and furniture.

Chamberlain's Tablets.

When you are troubled with indigestion or constipation take Chamberlain's Tablets. They strengthen the stomach and enable it to perform its functions naturally. Indigestion is usually accompanied by constipation and is aggravated by it. Chamberlain's tablets cause a gentle movement of the bowels, relieving the constipated condition. Adv.

PAY AT ONCE.
IF THIS IS MARKED WITH A BLUE PENCIL IT SHOWS THAT YOUR SUBSCRIPTION IS DUE (OR WILL BE AT THE END OF THIS MONTH) AND MUST BE PAID AT ONCE OR YOUR AVALANCHE WILL BE STOPPED.

WOULD ERECT SOLDIERS' MEMORIAL

SUPERVISORS PASS RESOLUTION AND APPOINT COMMITTEE.

Would Have Village Name Streets After Dead Soldiers.

At the session of the Board of Supervisors, just closed, steps were taken to provide a suitable memorial for those of Crawford County who served in the World war, and a committee was appointed to make the necessary arrangements.

It is informally talked that a granite shaft be erected in a suitable location in the city, presumably in or near the court yard.

It has been inferred by the committee in charge that any suggestions from the public will be welcome.

The following resolution was introduced by Supervisor Melvin A. Bates of this city:

RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NOW IN SESSION

THAT—

Whereas, in the great world war now happily at an end, a large number of the best of our young manhood have been engaged in the service of their country, giving fully and freely of their best efforts, and in so doing have reflected honor and credit to the County of Crawford, and

Whereas, in the great conflict just closed, several of our young men in the Army and upon the sea have made the Supreme sacrifice and with their lives have sealed the safety and security of our homes and families and assisted in making the world a safe place for humanity.

And be it further resolved, that a committee be selected by this Board whose duty it will be to secure plans for a permanent memorial to be placed in the Court Yard Park in memory of those who gave much and those who gave all.

Resolution declared adopted.

Moved by Scott, supported by Kellogg, that the Mayor of the village of Grayling, the President of the Board of Trade of Grayling, Mr. R. Hanson, Mrs. S. N. Insley, and Mrs. O. N. Michelson of the village of Grayling, be appointed as additional members of a committee to act with the Board of Supervisors, to secure plans for a permanent memorial to be erected in the Court Yard park.

Motion carried.

Therefore, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Board of Supervisors of the County of Crawford, in session, appropriate a sufficient sum of money to be expended by the chairman and clerk of this Board to erect a temporary memorial in honor of those who have served their country in the struggle just closed.

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January 17, 1919
To The Honorable Common Council of the Village of Grayling:

Numerous cities, towns and villages are arranging to erect or provide memorials to honor those who served in the Great War, especially those who made the supreme sacrifice. Having in mind that the Board of supervisors of Crawford County will or have taken up the question of providing a suitable memorial for Crawford County's soldiers, I wish to ask you, as representatives of the village of Grayling, to provide individual and distinctive memorials for the ones from our village to give their lives in this great cause: Elmer Neal and Earl McMahon, two Grayling boys who made the supreme sacrifice in the war for democracy. His letter to the Council reads as follows:

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My suggestion is that the present names of two of the village residence streets be changed to Neal and McMahon, in honor of our fellow citizens. This would tend to keep green in our memory the names of these young men, whom we were glad to call friends and are proud to honor.

Respectfully,
Emil O. Giebling.

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We offer one hundred dollars reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh medicine.

Hall's Catarrh Medicine has been taken by catarrh sufferers for the past thirty-five years and has become known as the most reliable remedy for catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Medicine acts thru the blood on the Mucus surfaces, expelling the poison from the blood and healing the diseased portions.

After you have taken Hall's Ca-

Quick Cure for Croup.
Watch for the first symptom, hoarseness and give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy at once. It is prompt and effectual. Adv.



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Simple to use and may save you the trouble and expense of digging up your yard. Used extensively by the best plumbers.

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Ford Cars—\$4.00 per month with Battery service; \$3.00 without Battery service.

At the above rates it will be cheaper to store your cars than to leave them in your own garage—the protection and saving on your tires will pay the cost of storage.

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Your Runion Can Be Cured!
Prove It At Our EXPENSE—
Just let me prove it to you also. We know FAIRYFOOT is an absolute cure for constipation, which not only relieves you instantly of all pain and inflammation, but literally removes the whole enlargement.

Don't believe me, however. Get a doctor and get a box of FAIRYFOOT. Take two pills and if you are not absolutely satisfied, return what is left and get all your money back. We particularly emphasize and guarantee FAIRYFOOT.

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GIRLS! LOTS OF BEAUTIFUL HAIR

A small bottle of "Danderine" makes hair thick, glossy and wavy.

Removes all dandruff, stops itching scalp and falling hair.



To be possessed of a head of heavy, beautiful hair; soft, lustrous, fluffy, wavy and free from dandruff is merely a matter of using a little Danderine.

It is easy and inexpensive to have nice, soft hair and lots of it. Just get a small bottle of Knowlton's Danderine now—it costs but a few cents—all drug stores recommend it—apply a little as directed and within ten minutes there will be an appearance of abundance, freshness, fullness and an incomparable gloss and lustre, and try as you will you cannot find a trace of dandruff or falling hair; but your real surprise will be after about two weeks' use, when you will see new hair—fine and downy at first—yes—but really new hair—sprouting out all over your scalp. Danderine is, we believe, the only sure hair grower, destroyer of dandruff and cure for itchy scalp, and it never fails to stop falling hair at once.

If you want to prove how pretty and soft your hair really is, moisten a cloth with a little Danderine and carefully draw it through your hair—taking one small strand at a time. Your hair will be soft, glossy and healthy in just a few moments—a delightful surprise awaits everyone who tries this. Adv.

Fooling the Cooties.

I wrote to my brother in France, who had been in action, asking if he had acquired "cooties." His reply came back: "Yes, indeed. I had cooties. One is not a regular soldier until he does have them, but I got rid of mine in this fashion: I sprinkled my clothes all over with salt, then laid them down on a river bank. The cooties became very thirsty and got off the clothes to get a drink, then I pulled them away quickly. Nine-tenth of the cooties died from mortification and the other tenth from homesickness." Exchange.

KIDNEY TROUBLE OFTEN CAUSES SERIOUS BACKACHE

When your back aches, and your bladder and kidneys seem to be disordered, go to your nearest drug store and get a bottle of Dr. Kilmer's Skin Root. It is a physician's prescription for ailments of the kidneys and bladder.

It has stood the test of years and has a reputation for quickly and effectively giving results in thousands of cases.

This preparation so very effective, has been placed on sale everywhere. Get a bottle, medium or large size, at your nearest druggist.

However, if you wish first to test this preparation send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample bottle. When writing be sure and mention this paper—Adv.

Chinese Influence in Hawaii.

The Chinese first planted sugar cane at the "Crossroads of the Pacific" and manufactured sugar, and when the Hawaiians began to cause the cultivation of taro it was the Chinese who became the taro planters and the makers of poi—the staff of life of the native Hawaiian.

\$100 Reward, \$100

Cataract is a local disease greatly influenced by constitutional conditions. It occurs in all climates, but particularly in the tropics. HALL'S CATARACT MEDICINE is taken internally and acts through the blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the Eyes. HALL'S CATARACT MEDICINE destroys the foundation of the disease, gives the patient strength by improving the general health and assists nature in the removal of the disease. The use of HALL'S CATARACT MEDICINE fails to cure. DRUGISTS—See Testimonials free. J. J. Chasey & Co., Toledo, Ohio.

With Trimmings.

Said the almost philosopher: "After all, a man is more greedy than a woman. He always wants a barrel of money, while a woman is well pleased with a hatful."

Important to Mothers

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, that famous old remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the signature of *John Fletcher*. In Use for Over 80 Years. Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria.

A square foot is covered by four and one-half bricks laid flat or nine laid on edge.

When Your Eyes Need Care Try Murine Eye Remedy
A Remedy for Eye Complaints, by Dr. Wm. W. Murphy, MURINE EYE REMEDY CO., CHICAGO.

Kindergarten Helps for Parents

Articles Issued by the Department of the Interior Bureau of Education and the National Kindergarten Association

DAD

By HENRY TURNER BAILEY. Children's children are the crown of old men; and the glory of children are their fathers.—Prov. 17:6.

Shake hands, Dad. How many children call you that? There are five who have called me Dad or Pa or Poppy. Excuse me for mentioning it, but I want you to know that I am no mere theorist in this matter of being the father of a family.

Now here is some straight stuff: It is father's duty to give some time every week to his boys and girls. The only time I have been able to give to mine is Sunday. My Sundays have belonged to the children.

I have been to church and Sunday school with them always, because in the light of some hundreds of years of history, there is nothing that yields better returns, in the long run, than habitual reverence for God. "Only those who believe in God do good in private," say the French.

Sunday afternoons we have always taken a walk, when the weather permitted, or if too stormy, we have read story books together, or have made various kinds of scrap books.

Much Time to Nature Study.

In our walks we usually had a definite objective. We went to see somebody, or to get a particular view, or to visit our favorite trees, or to look for some one in particular. We counted birds' nests one trip; on another we searched for cocoons; on a third, dug into old stumps to see what we could discover; or looked under pieces of wood and bark; found the smallest growing things; collected leaves and seed packs of as many kinds as possible; learned the wild flowers, the birds, the butterflies and moths, the ferns, the trees, the mushrooms; made collections of colored things—flowers, leaves, insects, pebbles and so forth, and arranged them in the spectrum order; followed a brook in the summer with Tennyson's Brook as a guide; followed one in winter with Lowell's Brook (in the Vision of Sir Launfal) as a guide. In a word we studied God's great wonderful outdoor book in the afternoon, just as diligently as we studied the best literature in the morning.

And what results? Five open-eyed, open-minded, intelligent young men and women, devoted to their parents and grateful for what their heavenly father and his children have done for them, mother who is still young and happy (because she got a little rest on Sunday during those strenuous years), to say nothing of a father who now thanks God for the privilege of still being able to think in America.

Family Interested Own Members

We shall never forget those long evenings in our city home when the girls came back from seminary and high school, and the boys from Harvard and "Tech," and we sat around the dinner table together, forgetful of time. We were all more entertaining to each other than any show ever staged, because by this time each of the children had discovered his own special field of interest and delved it to beyond the limit of the others in the great realms of nature and literature that we had begun to enjoy together when they were little children. Each one could therefore make his own particular contribution to the delight of all.

Pool rooms, saloons, clubs, stag parties? When will short-sighted, self-indulgent, arrogant fathers learn that in their own wives and children are the possibilities of perennial delights and solid satisfactions compared with which other things are dust and ashes?

TOYS "MADE IN AMERICA"

By MRS. MARTHA GALLAUDET WARING.

"Clear track, toot-toot, ding-a-lang, chu-chu, all aboard!" all of which means that my two-year-old is at his favorite play.

As I look out of my window I see him on his kitty car, pushing along with his sturdy legs and pulling a train behind him consisting of an iron locomotive and three cars. His point of departure is the "station," proclaimed a center of traffic by a "wind-up auto-delivery wagon," a small one-horse cart full of "wocks," and a two-mule cart in which sits Seraphina, his rag doll, holding her baby. His objective is "Tybee" at the end of the long, straight plaza, so called after the island of that name which we frequently visit in the summer. A gateway, built up of 1-inch cubes and long brick-shaped pieces of wood, marks the entrance to the "island."

Boy has been playing this way the better part of an afternoon, with an occasional bit of encouragement from older sisters near by. He is playing with things that afford plenty of room for original work, manipulation, and imagination, the auto toy being the nearest approach to a mechanical one, and the one he cares least about. Everything he has is solid and substantial enough to be really used and enjoyed.

Made in Our Own Country.

As I watch him racing up and down in his kitty car, I wonder at his control over it until I study its simple and excellent mechanism. Its front wheel can turn in any direction, its steering gear is strong and easily managed, and it is made entirely of wood. Both carts are also of wood, as well as the mule and horse, and all are well painted and strongly put together. The carts are painted red, white and blue, so I know they are made in our own country. The rag babies we made ourselves, and although they are of a crudeness, they are quite the less beloved. The blocks were made by measure at a wood yard. Being large and easily handled, a child can build gates, bridges and platforms with them big enough to walk under or upon, and strong enough to stand firm after they are built.

Our older children when they were small played principally with imported dolls dressed in native costumes. And I can remember that my brother and I had handsome books brought from England, that my finest dolls were French and his regiments of toy soldiers came mostly from the land of millions.

But our baby boy, born during the world war and forced to rely on sturdy, home-made toys, is much better off.

Lesson for Mothers.

There is a two-fold lesson here for us mothers. One concerns the children themselves and the other goes far ahead into the laws of economics, world production and the like.

We have found that our own substantial, wooden, easily-handled playthings are what our children need and want. Children's books we have aplenty, the most artistic, I suppose, in the world. And then we can demand well-made, pretty American dolls. It only remains for us to hold to all these, and prove our patriotism by refusing to buy foreign manufactured toys, even if they are put on the market again later on.

A far cry, isn't it, said the other man.

"Eh! Old chap, how can you say so? Why, it positively verges on the Common."

Hawl Haw! Major!

"So this is your famous Beacon street," said Major X as he strolled with his friend along past the statehouse.

"Frankly, I'm surprised, I had

always heard that it was a very exclusive street, you know."

"Well, so it is," said the other man.

"Eh! Old chap, how can you say so? Why, it positively verges on the Common."

Just to Fill In.

"This poet says his soul yearns for privacy."

"Well, the editors of magazines in which his verses appear evidently do their best to oblige him."

In What Way?

"His poems are usually stuck away in an obscure corner where they are almost certain to be overlooked."

CONSOLATION.

"I'm afraid I'm ignorant 'bout grammar. It alius puzzles me t' know which words is righter'n other'n."

"Fiddlesticks! Son, why ye ain't more ignoranter I be."

Unavailable.

The poet vowed his luck was bad:

In fact, distinctly cruel.

A lot of burning thoughts he had:

They were no good for fuel.

Her Idea.

"Then your wife doesn't think that two can live as cheaply as one?"

"No; her idea seems to be that two ought to live as expensively as four or five."—Boston Transcript.

Safety in Numbers.

Miss Ketcham—Three men called on me last evening.

Miss Blunt—Were they afraid to come alone?

Hardy Flattering.

Miss Passay—What do you think of my latest photograph?

Miss Young—Splendid! Isn't it wonderful what they can do?

Going Up.

Judge—What excuse have you for speeding your automobile?

Autolist—I wanted to get my money's worth out of the gasoline.

The Reason.

"Why do they call a wife's allowance pin money?"

"I guess it is because she is generally stuck when she goes to handle it."

Displeasing.

"I don't like that auctioneer's line of talk," declared the artist testily.

"What's wrong?"

"Picture after picture of mine he puts up. And what does he say? 'Start it at \$10, good people. You can't go wrong. The frame is worth that.'"

Maurice.

"Sometimes Gwendolyn speaks and sometimes she doesn't," said Maude.

"Yes," replied Mayme. "She got that way since she took a position in the telephone exchange."

Attention Distracted.

"What is your favorite opera?"

"I like 'em all," replied Mr. Cumrox.

"An opera is the only place I know of where mother an' the girls will sit all dressed up for several hours and never pass an unfriendly remark about anybody."

Sure Thing.

"Don't talk of perfection. The highest thing in the world has a low streak in it."

"What is that?"

"The rainbow."

Amusement circles—circus rings.

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Bread—An' Butter

An'—Apple Butter

By BARBARA KERR

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She was a little brown wisp of a thing, sitting in a big chair propped upon a box to make her just the right height to stir the apple butter. She could rest the long handle of the stirrer on the arm of the chair so it would not be so heavy, then she could keep the paddle moving over the bottom of the great copper kettle. To help keep the rich butter from sticking to the bottom of the kettle her mother had thrown in a number of bright, new copper cents thoroughly cleaned with hot vinegar and salt. If the apple butter was not scorched, Sarah Jane was to have all the pennies for her own, besides, of course, all of the good bread and butter and apple butter that she could eat all winter.

It was an ideal October day. Along the fence was a riot of color, with now and then a sunbeam, like an immense bunch of scarlet geraniums or a clump of goldenrod. The pokeberries with their purple inkwells mingled with the browns, russels and greens of summer weeds and a great profusion of wild grapevines. And Sarah Jane was with the fragrance of cooking apples and cider. The great copper kettle hung over a slow outdoor fire near the springhouse, and the long stirrer moved rhythmically over the bottom, pushing the pennies about ceaselessly.

Sarah Jane was drowsing an improvised little song which she attuned to the swish of the pennies and the gurgle of the apple butter as it surged through the holes in the wooden paddle of the stirrer:

"Peter—pitter—patter—pitter—
Bread—an'—buter—an'—apple buter—
Too much hard cider will make you
stutter—"

"Well, hello, little poet! How do you know? Tried it? I've brought the rest of your cider from the mill, but it's not hard. Where's your mother?"

Ashamed that anyone, especially Milo Ward, the idol of her childish heart, should have heard her silly little song, Sarah Jane hung her head in mortification. She would have run away, but she was mindful that Dunham farm was famous for its apple butter, which had never been burned. She tried to pull her little brown bare feet up under her skirts and almost up her precarious perch.

"Look out for the throne!" cried Milo, as he caught the chair and righted it on the box. Then, seeing her embarrassment, he took the stirrer from her hands, saying gently: "Don't mind me, little Say-Jane. Let me give the stirrer a few whirs while you find your mother for me."

Sarah Jane needed no second bidding. She found her mother, but would not return to her post till Milo had delivered the cider and gone. She heard him say to her mother as he was leaving: "I guess I teased Say-Jane. Mrs. Duncan: tell her I'll have better manners next time, for I'm going away to college."

Ocotber came and went in the valley. Other children, sons and daughters of the farmers, went to college. Many of them, after finishing, returned no more, but took up their lives in various ways in other places. One who did not return was Milo Ward, for his farm had moved away and the Ward farm was sold. But Sarah Jane could not remain away: the old folks at home needed her. She and her mother still made apple butter, but not in the big copper kettle, for there were so few now to eat it.

Then war broke out, and Sarah Jane, patriotic and sweet and wholesome as her own valley, wanted to do her bit. She would make apple butter for the

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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, JAN. 23

THE BOYS ARE COMING HOME.

And now the boys are coming home. We saw them yesterday on the village streets with their sweethearts, wives and mothers. We saw them in the suits of the navy. Our boys who have drilled and waited in the camps over here and come home bearing the stings of disappointment, that they were not so fortunate as others. We should be very considerate to our boys who answered the call to the colors and were left waiting in the cantonments. Youth is very keen to feel the lost adventure. As we gather about the lad who heard the German cannons roar and felt the sting of gas and shell we are apt to forget that figure that stands on the edge of the crowd and inwardly curses the luck that left him marking time at home. Don't you ever forget that he,

was ready and that it was not his fault that he had no chance to go over the top.

INTERESTING LETTER FROM LEO JORGENSEN.

Neville, France, Nov. 12, 1918.

Dear Parents:

Will try and tell you what we have done while in France.

We landed in Liverpool, England, on March 5th. From there we took the train to Winchester. Then we crossed the English Channel on the St. George W. LaHavre, France.

Then we hiked to a prison camp, where we were only one night. The next morning we took the train to our training camp at Camp DeCoquidien where we were until June 5th, when we left for the Tou Front.

When we were at Camp DeCoquidien, they sent some of our Battalion to motor school, as we were to be motorized, but they transferred these men to some other outfit and gave us some new men from the C. A. C. Then it wasn't long before they gave us horses and made us a horse Artillery. We sure had to work, as we had only enough men for a motorized Battery. But the fun was yet to come when they gave us French harness to fit our horses and to break in these horses, and we could not speak French and the horses could not understand English. I'll never forget the first time when we went to the range after our pieces (guns). When we were going to hitch to the pieces,

the horses were all over the field. At last we made it and sure had some time starting.

The first village we were in was Trouna. There we had to sweep the streets, for it sure was dirty, and after we had the streets cleaned, they would throw dirt back in the street. For this, I know not why.

One night they took the pieces to the front in motor trucks. Then we had to haul ammunition to our guns, and we all wanted to go, but they only needed a few, so the rest had to wait until the next night. We had just passed what we called "Dead Man's Curve" when the Germans started shelling the road.

We were at this front a few weeks and on Saturday night about 9:00 until the following Monday noon o'clock we pulled out and travelled for Alsace. Here we were about two kilometers on the other side of the Border, as the French had driven the Germans back. We had our guns on the outskirts of Ballodoff. We had our horses in this village behind a church. The bell would sometimes ring every fifteen minutes. There were spies in this village and every time troops would come up the road, this bell would ring, and then we had to duck shells. One night they shelled our stables. They killed one horse and wounded four. All we could hear a little while after was wooden shoes going down the road. One would think a bunch of horses were

running down the road. The roof of the house next to where we were staying was hit and pieces fell on the building that we were in. We were a lucky bunch that we didn't get hit.

This was our first experience under shell fire. While we were there we were out picking cherries and pears, so war wasn't so bad there but after we left there, we soon found out what it was. We had to haul ammunition about nine miles to our pieces, which took us nearly a night.

We left Alsace July 23rd. We travelled two days by rail, then started a four day hike for the Chateau Thierry front. The first day we travelled all day and half the night, and it rained all the time.

The first five or six days we started in on the drive was sure a good one. We would put our guns in position at night, and in the morning we had to put them in a new position, as our Infantry drove the Boches so far that we could not reach them. Then we caught up to our Infantry, and had to wait until they drove them on, which did not take very long.

One afternoon when we were putting our guns in position, the Boches were flying very low over us, and could see where we placed our guns. We put our horses in the woods ahead of the pieces, but they were not there very long before Fritz shelled us out. So we had to go down in the valley, where we kept our horses for some time after. The first night in the valley it rained, finding ourselves in the morning sleeping in water puddles, and wet from head to foot.

I guess Fritz wanted to have some fun or show us a good time, so one Sunday morning they put over a barrage, and of course it didn't take us long to find a hole or a safe place to stay, and believe me we didn't put our heads out until we were sure that Fritz had stopped shelling. That day, there were about one hundred and fifty horses killed in the valley, so the next day we were busy burying horses. The day after, we took our horses back to the Echonial, which was about five miles back.

While back in the Echonial, we dug holes to sleep in, to protect us from Fritz's shells. One night one of the horses got loose and came over and the camouflage off our tent stepping too far over and stepping through the tent. It sure didn't take us long to get out.

While on this front we saw two of our planes fall, and saw several air battles.

The next front we went to was Soissons. We were there about two weeks. Then we left, travelling by rail for twenty-four hours, unloaded at 6 p.m., and started again and got to our destination at 12 a.m. It rained all the while, and when we got there, we looked like drowned rats. Vaux was the name of this village.

The next front was Verdun. It took us seven nights to get there. It rained every twenty-four hours. When we started we were not aware where we were going, but had only to follow the one ahead of us. While on the Verdun front, we had our guns in six or seven different positions. We had good dugouts and mostly every night Fritz would come over and bomb us. But this time we had the best of him. At night we could lay in our dug-outs and listen to Fritz's shells go over us.

On November 1st, we put over a big barrage. There were seventy batteries of Artillery on a two kilometer front, some one told us. The next day we could see lots of prisoners coming back which our Infantry had captured. We had an idea that the war would soon be over, which it was a few days later. Don't think that any of the boys were sorry a bit. We took our guns back the day after we put the barrage over.

We are now in Neville, France, coming to this village on November 17th. My Thanksgiving was spent at Revin, which is 5 kilometers from here. We are not working very hard here—getting enough to eat and plenty of sleep. We are doing "Squad East and West" which we got before the war.

I've had several close calls in the war, but always got out lucky. A good many times I had to duck my nut to keep from being hit, and believe me when Fritz put over any shells, it didn't take any of us long to get away.

When the war was on, we were always wondering when it would be over, and now that it is over we are wondering when we are going home, be over, and now that it is over we are wondering when we are going home.

I think this will be all for this time. Hoping you are all well, I'm fine-wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. This may come too late for Christmas, but better late than never.

Your Son Leo.
Leo Jorgenson,
Bat. F., 119th F. A.,
Amer. Ex. Forces.

TWO FINNISH GENTLEMEN DIE OF INFLUENZA.

John Rostar, age 31 years, passed away at the Emergency hospital last Sunday from pneumonia, following influenza. The young man was employed at the duPont plant and was soon to be married to a young lady of his own nationality. He was born in Finland, coming to this country but a few years ago.

Jofith Karvanes.

A widow and two children survive Jofith Karvanes, who passed away at the Emergency hospital Tuesday of this week after an illness of influenza and pneumonia. He was 39 years old and born in Finland. He had been employed by the duPont Co. previous to his illness. His children are still ill with the influenza.

MCCULLOUGH-LAND.

At High noon on Wednesday at the home of the bride's parents occurred the marriage of Miss Edna Mae McCullough and Mr. George Walter Land of this city. The wedding was one of simplicity in all its appointments. The bride wore a very becoming gown of silver grey taffeta made on simple lines, and the only attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Simpson, Rev. C. E. Doty of the Michelson Memorial church officiated at the ceremony.

Immediately following the ceremony a three course luncheon was served to the guests present, who included the near relatives of the bride and groom. The tables for the luncheon were decorated with bouquets of pink and white carnations. The young couple left on the afternoon train mid showers of confetti and rice on a honeymoon trip to Vassar, Kalamazoo and other cities.

The bride, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George McCullough, is one of Grayling's most estimable young ladies. She has been very active in Red Cross work and also social affairs. Mr. Land is employed by the Michigan Central R. R. Co.

The happy young couple have the congratulations and best wishes of hosts of friends, who will be pleased to know that they will make their home in Grayling.

RED CROSS NOTES.

Two cases of sewing have been shipped this week, containing of—146 bed shirts, 2 summer pajamas, 16 winter pajamas, 40 convalescent robes, 84 women's chemises, 40 women's morning blouses, 48 children's pinapores, 35 women's skirts, 62 children's undershirts, 42 boys' winter undershirts and 5 baby quilts, donated by Juniors of Royce School.

We have large quotas for sewing. Red Cross rooms are open every afternoon when sewing can be obtained.

CARD OF THANKS.

We extend our most sincere thanks and gratefulness to the Red Cross nurses of the Emergency Hospital, Rev. Riess, and our friends and neighbors for their kindness during our late bereavement in the death of our daughter Miss Florence. Also our thanks for the beautiful flowers.

Mr. and Mrs. Seeley Wakeley, and family.

THE ARMADILLO AS A DIGGER.

In a Tug-of-War With a Boy the Animal Won Out in Quite Easy Manner.

One day I was standing on a mound when an armadillo bolted from his earth and running to the very spot where I was standing began vigorously digging to escape by burying himself in the soil.

Neither men nor dogs had seen him, and I at once determined to capture him unaided by anyone and imagined it would prove a very easy task.

Accordingly I laid hold of his black bone-eased tail with both hands and began tugging to get him off the ground, but couldn't move him. He went on digging furiously, getting deeper and deeper into the earth, and I soon found that instead of me pulling him out he was pulling me after him.

It hurt my small boy pride to think that an animal no bigger than a cat was going to beat me in a trial of strength, and this made me hold on more tenaciously than ever and tug and strain more violently, until not to lose him I had to go flat on the ground. But it was all for nothing. First my hands, then my aching arms were carried down into the earth, and I was forced to release my hold and get up to rid myself of the mound he had been throwing up into my face and all over my head, neck and shoulders.—From "Far Away and Long Ago" by W. H. Hodson.

TREE PUZZLE TO FORESTERS.

Peculiar Formation of Spruce Has Caused Speculation Among Men Learned in That Lore.

A cross section of a great old spruce tree from Alaska tells the story of a tree which executed a spin, like a bullet dancer. This cross section shows a most peculiar spiral structure, which has caused a great deal of speculation among the various foresters throughout the country and a very interesting explanation is advanced in American Forestry.

It is known that a tree growing at a slant forms on the lower side of the trunk a dense reddish wood known as "rotholz." This spiral in this case is of such sort, and as it is a continuous formation, winding from the center to within half an inch from the circumference, it is surmised that it was growing in an inclined position on the edge of a glacier, where by some shifting it was caused to rotate, so that all sides of the tree were successively on the downward side. Thus, as the tree grew, and its rotation continued slowly, the "rotholz" developed into a spiral.

Observation of Plants.

There cannot be complete enjoyment from growing flowering plants unless the gardener is sufficiently interested to watch them closely, observing daily changes, trying different experiments and carefully studying the results. It is in this way we learn what certain plants like best—light or heavy soil, full exposure or partial shade, abundant moisture or moderately dry soil, what fertilizers produce the best results and so on.

When a lot of cuttings are made and placed in the sun, the base of the cuttings ones after another turn black and the cuttings "dampening" off, without the gardener trying the pan of cuttings in a shaded place, the case seems hopeless. A gardener of this kind had better confine his efforts to a few sturdy geraniums or other equally robust, full-grown plants.

FOR SALE— Will sell cheap my Fox hounds. C. N. Underhill, Grayling.

WANTED— A responsible dealer to handle "DELCO LIGHT" plants in Crawford County. For information write C. K. Daly, Sales Manager, Alpena, Mich.

FOR SALE— Seed corn, fine quality, selected ears, matures in Michigan climate. State quantity required and I will give delivered price and description.

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WANTS

Advertisements will be accepted under this heading at the rate of 8 cents per line. No ad. taken for less than 15 cents. There are about 15 words to the line. **BEND MONEY WITH THE ORDER.**

LOST—Tuesday, January 7th, ladies' wrist watch, square dial, and in black strap. Finder please return to A. Trudeau grocery and receive reward. 1-16-2.

LOST—A gold Elgin watch, 21 Jewel, open face at Round house fire last Thursday night. If found please return to Lee Seymour, M. C. ticket office and receive reward. 1-9-1.

How to Get Rich.
Some men would have no trouble getting rich if they held on to the money they earn as they do to the money they borrow.

Not Always.
We always like those who admire us said La Rocheaucauld; we do not always like those whom we admire.

Daily Thought.
Fortitude is a great help in distress. —Pratt.

ROOMS for light housekeeping. Apply to Mrs. William Green. 1-16-1.

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—are all that we use in our Prescription department. Every prescription is filled by an expert pharmacist.

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Local News

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John Balcer spent Sunday at his home in Bay City.

Now is the time to get that Diamond. See Hathaway about it.

You can safely leave your call with Big Ben. Get him at Hathaway's.

Mrs. T. E. Lewis of Frederic is reported as being very ill with pneumonia.

Mrs. C. M. Hewitt and daughter Creva left Tuesday for a few days' visit in Bay City.

Mrs. Claude Gilson is visiting at her old home in Sunfield, Michigan, for a few weeks.

Miss Cecilia Sivrais was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Simon Sivrais over last Sunday.

Miss Edith Adams entertained a few of her girl friends at her home Saturday evening.

Miss Helen Brown was a guest at the Schaebe home at the Military reservation last week.

Attorneys George L. Alexander and Homer L. Fitch attended Circuit court in Gaylord this week.

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Groceries H. PETERSEN Phone 25

Misses Laundra and Irene Neilsen left Monday for their home in Flint. Mrs. William Brennan is spending a few days with friends in Cheboygan.

A false alarm of fire called out the fire-department and a crowd of people at about 7:30 o'clock Tuesday night.

Misses Mae Whipple and Margaret Waldron left for Hillman last Friday morning to attend the funeral of a cousin.

Miss Molly Johnson arrived Monday from Saginaw to visit her parents Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Johnson for a few days.

Mrs. Holger Hanson, who suffered a severe injury to her ankle several weeks ago is able to be out and around on her foot again.

Mr. Corner of Marion, Mich., is visiting at the home of Cameron Game and family. Mr. Corner, who is a brother-in-law of Mr. Game, will remain here and assist the latter in his market.

Attorney A. F. Bunting, of Detroit, son of Mrs. Edward McCracken, of this city, was in the city on legal business this week.

Mr. Jacob Collins and daughters Mary and Violet of Linden, Michigan, are visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Goudrow for a few weeks. Mrs. Collins will be remembered as Miss Dessa Goudrow.

The Emergency hospital in the Michelson Memorial church and the articles therein are being thoroughly utilized this week and those who donated and loaned articles to the Red Cross will confer a great favor on the management if they will kindly call for game next Monday.

Quite a severe epidemic of influenza broke out at Lovell last week and there are now about ten active cases had been reported but 15 of these have recovered. Dr. Keypot, who is the attending physician, says he believes he will be able to keep it under control. Mrs. Harry Pond and Mrs. William Green, of the Home Defense Nursing corps are caring for the afflicted ones.

Donald Adams arrived home last week from Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, where he has been stationed while in Uncle Sam's service. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Adams and this is his first visit to his home in seven years. He has been honorably discharged from service.

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Dress Silks at 1/2 off at Salling Hanson Co. store.

Harry Cook is assisting as clerk in the Kraus Hardware.

John Niederer is in Bay City on business for a few days.

Dr. J. J. Love has been in Detroit on business, returning this morning. Frank Dreezen returned this morning from Detroit where he has been on business.

Hyman Joseph is in Milwaukee for medical treatment and for an operation for cancer.

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Oscar Deckrow has been honorably discharged from military service and arrived home last Thursday from Camp Custer, where he was transferred from Camp Meade, Maryland, and where many of the Michigan boys are sent just before being discharged.

C. H. Christenson of Des Moines, Iowa, is a guest at the J. W. Sorenson home. Mr. Christenson was discharged from military service at camp Dodge, Iowa on Jan. 10th.

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COUNTY AGENT'S COLUMN.

A meeting of representatives from the Farm Bureaus throughout the State will be held at East Lansing on February 4th, during Farmers' Week for the purpose of organizing a State Association of Farm Bureaus. Each Farm Bureau is entitled to one voting member altho it is hoped that each Farm Bureau will have as many representatives as possible at the meeting.

The following Counties have so far made appropriations for an organized fight against the grasshopper pest season: Viz; Antrim, Crawford, Kalkaska, Otsego, Roscommon, Wexford. The Department of Entomology at M. A. C. is busy locating the poison and it is to be hoped that such a measure of control will be effected that excessive damage can be averted.

It is to be feared that there are

some people in these counties who do not yet fully realize the tremendous loss of last season from grasshoppers. For their benefit the following statements and figures are furnished. From careful computation there was at least \$20,000 loss in Crawford and Roscommon Counties last season, and the chances are 9 out of 10 that this loss next season will reach \$100,000, if something is not done to control to some degree at least the ravages of the grasshoppers.

Let us consider for a moment the loss to the individual that had a ten acre field of good oats ruined, together with the clover seeding, and there were very many of them.

Plowing and fitting 10 acres \$ 50.00
Seed oats..... 20.00
Clover Seed..... 18.00
Loss of 400 bu. oats @ 70c. 280.00
Total direct loss..... \$368.00

Loss of 10 acres Clover hay
that would have been available in 1919 10 tons @ \$10.00
Loss in fertilizing value..... 50.00
Indirect loss..... \$150.00
Total direct and indirect loss: \$518.00

There were many oatfields which did not have a head left on them and were cut for bedding. Many more lost from half to two thirds of their grain and all the clover. There was hardly a field of rye in Crawford County and the north tier of townships in Roscommon county that at least one quarter of each grain was not eaten away. This meant a five per cent loss of the rye crop of fields so affected.

It is estimated that in these counties there are about 9,000 acres of Rosen Rye sown at the present time. A normal crop of Rosen Rye at present prices would easily bring \$35.00 per acre on an average. If the grasshoppers are left undisturbed next season they would undoubtedly ruin at least 25% of this crop and the chances are much more. This would mean \$8.75 per acre direct loss or about \$80,000 loss in these two counties on the rye crop alone. It's hard to realize it isn't it?

It is not to be expected that any measure of control can be instituted that will kill ALL the grasshoppers or prevent ALL loss, but it is expected that with proper community effort on the part of farmers that the loss can be lessened by very many thousands of dollars. But it will take community effort. This is not a measure that can be carried out individually.

During the coming months articles along the line of grasshopper control will be published in this column. A complete description of the measures to be taken will be published and furnished to every farmer in these counties. In the spring the organization of the various community committees of the Farm Bureaus will be completed, so that by the time it is necessary to start operations an efficient organization may be in existence to carry them out to effect.

Farmers will do well to remember that THE WAR IS NOT OVER, and that the seed situation is far from normal. The following months present a fine opportunity for lining up seed wants, and testing them. There was considerable fall seed corn saved in these counties relative to these matters. He may assist you, and that is all for.

At years ago when we first got to Matton, I was a great sufferer from indigestion and constipation," writes Mrs. Robert Allison, Marion, Ill. "I had frequent headaches and dizzy spells, and there was feeling like a heavy weight pressing on my stomach and chest all the time. I felt miserable. Every morning of food distressed me. I could not eat at night and felt tired and worn all the time. One bottle of Chamberlain's Tablets cured me and I have not felt like a different person." Adv.

Speaking of high personages, there are some queer reports coming from the refuge of the former Kaiser in Holland. It is declared he is bordering on insanity, talking almost incessantly and incoherently and wandering about at night. It is also said that his health is failing rapidly. The Germans, who supported Wilhelm heartily until he turned out to be a loser, are now heapng abuse on him and the German commission appointed to determine his responsibility for the war has recommended that he be brought to trial, declaring that he marginally noted in the Kaiser's handwriting on papers in the foreign office prove him to have been one of the chief war makers. This venomous course of the Germans certainly is superfluous, for the allied governments will see to it that Wilhelm and others get the punishment they so richly deserve.

The matter of extending aid to Poland was one of the serious things discussed last week, especially serious because it probably involves the problem of what the allies shall do in the case of Russia. The American and British delegates were said to have agreed that, while none of their own troops should be sent to help the Poles, the two Polish divisions recruited in the United States should be sent from France through Germany to assist the government set up by the Polish national committee. These troops would co-operate in stemming the tide of bolshevism that is flowing west from Russia, making the new Poland a strong bulwark against that flood of anarchy. The plan is a concession to the ideas of the French, who are convinced that bolshevism cannot or should not be dealt with militarily in Russia by the allies. It also is likely to compel General Plaskowski to come to an agreement with the Polish national committee as represented in Poland by Paderewski.

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NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

Formal Sessions of the Peace Congress Begun; League of Nations Up First.

MANY PLANS ARE PRESENTED

Americans Carefully Safeguarding the Monroe Doctrine—Poland to Get Help—Armistic Terms Made More Drastic—United States for National Prohibition.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD.

Unless the peace congress, which held its first formal session on Saturday, changes its mind, the world must be satisfied hereafter with such information concerning its deliberations as is contained in the official communiqué issued daily. Possibly because of a breach of confidence on the part of some correspondent, the supreme allied council adopted a resolution that the delegates shall not talk outside the peace chamber or the doings of the conference. The hundreds of high-priced journalists gathered in Paris from all parts of the world can devote their time to describing the majesty of the Arc de Triomphe and the allurements of the Paris boulevards. The American and British correspondents formally and energetically protested against this rigid censorship. Later the rule may be relaxed, otherwise the demand for "open covenants of peace openly arrived at" goes by the board.

In the preliminary work of the conference the make-up and procedure of the congress were settled. It was decided that the United States, the British empire, France, Italy and Japan should be represented by five delegates apiece. The British dominions and Indian colonies are represented as follows: Two delegates respectively for Australia, Canada, South Africa and India, including the native states, and one delegate for New Zealand. Brazil has three delegates. Belgium, China, Greece, Poland, Portugal, the Czechoslovak republic, Roumania and Serbia have two delegates apiece; Siam, Montenegro, Cuba, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Liberia, Nicaragua and Panama one delegate apiece. The delegates will vote as units.

A great deal of time last week was devoted to consideration of the various plans for the league of nations, the organization of which was the first major task taken up by the peace delegates after they began their formal sessions, in accordance with the desire of President Wilson. Many schemes for the league were submitted, these dividing themselves generally into two groups which differ as to the means of making effective the decisions of the league. One holds that the rulings of the society of nations should be backed up by its combined physical forces; the other, that such force will not be necessary. In the examination of the plans it seemed certain that a compromise would not be difficult to reach.

Promoted by the expressed anxiety of the senate, the American delegates carefully examined every scheme submitted to make sure that nothing in them endangered the cherished Monroe doctrine. They appear to be satisfied that this American ideal is not impaired and that, on the contrary, the league would in effect extend the principle of the Monroe doctrine to the whole world. The senate is not so sure of this, and Senator Borah, who strongly opposed the formation of the league, introduced a resolution which, if passed, would serve notice that the senate will not ratify a treaty the provisions of which conflict with the Monroe doctrine and with the traditional duty of the United States to enforce that principle.

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of food to starving Vienna in respect of the decent way in which the Austrians had treated British prisoners of war. Hungary, which has been made a republic under the presidency of Count Karolyi, is appealing to the allies for its share of help, as well as against being deprived of any of its territory by the surrounding new nations.

Turkey came to the front with the report that the Turks had finally surrendered Medina, the holy city of the Mohammedans, to the King of the Hedjaz. This capitulation was included in the terms of the armistice, but was delayed by the long isolation of the garrison. The disposition of Constantinople also was brought under renewed discussion by the submission of the claims of Greece to the peace delegates in Paris. The general belief was that the city would be placed under international control rather than turned over to the Greeks.

The United States went dry last week, national prohibition "going over the top" when Nebraska ratified the constitutional amendment, being the thirty-sixth state to take that action. The amendment goes into effect one year hence, but as the war measure passed by congress establishes country-wide prohibition on July 1 the dry era will really date from that day. The leaders of the prohibition party naturally are joyous over the triumph of the cause for which they struggled through so many years, and they now have vision of a boozefree world. They have established headquarters in many foreign cities and say they are making great headway. The United States is the first great nation to adopt prohibition, for the Russian ban was only on vodka, and that has been lifted by the Bolshevik government.

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